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To the Author of the London Journal.

SIR,

IT has fared in our Days with the *True Patriot*, juſt as it ſeems to have done with CATO in *Horace*'s Time; or at leaſt, according to the Alluſion he makes for the Uſe of miſerable Imitators of Great Characters. *A Man*, (ſays he) *puts on a ſcrow Countenance, and comes abroad in a ſevere and horrid Dreſs; but what then? Is this to perſonate the Virtue and Manners of* Cato?—*Vultu torvo ferus, & pede nudo—Virtutemne repraeſentet, moreſque* Catonis? No. There is ſomething more wanting to finiſh the Likeneſs, than merely to be Rough and *Untractable*. The Man in *Martial* might as well have hoped to be like the *elder Cato*, by being *ſometimes drunk*; or like *Tully*, by *making bad Verſes*; as any one may hope to come up to the Character of *a True Patriot*, by having only a few of the worſt *Lineaments* that perhaps ever belong'd to any of them. But thus it has been, and, I fear, is ſo ſtill. *To look ſowr*—— *To be conſtantly and remarkably out of Humour*—— *To dictate with a loud Voice*, if a Man be bleſs'd with ſtrong Lungs —— *To be impatient of all Contradiction* —— *To beſtow the worſt Names upon all who differ*—— Sometimes, upon great Occaſions, *to foam at the Mouth, and look black in the Face*—— And above all, *To be reſolv'd to approve of nothing that is done*—— I have my ſelf known ſome, or all of theſe, to paſs for the Marks of a *True Patriot*, when, in Truth, they are no more ſo, than *To look dark and ſolemn* is the Mark of a *True Stateſman*.

A Man who brought with him from the Womb a Face form'd, in every Feature of it, into a *ſnarling Peeviſhneſs*, and will carry the ſame with him to the Grave, palms it upon the World at laſt for a *Face* ſo faſhion'd by the Cares and Fears of *Patriotiſm*; and *He*, who never perhaps ſmil'd agreeably through his whole Life, nor ever bore a Part in the Pleaſures of *Human Converſation*, charges all the *Wrinkles* and *Fret* and *Chagrine* of his *Domeſtick Face*, upon his *Love* to his *Country*, and his eternal Sollicitude and Watchfulneſs over it. This is not Invention. I my ſelf have ſeen *Men*, who never look'd otherwiſe than *ſowr* and *diſturbed* in *common Life*, ever ſince they appear'd in the World; and who were never known to be eaſy with any Perſon or any Thing about them; all on a ſudden, with great Dexterity, turn this *Private Ill Countenance* into a *Publick-ſpirited Sowerneſs*; and place all thoſe Indications of Diſſatisfaction, which were little more than a Vent to their own Tempers, and an Eaſe to their own inward Feeling, to the Account of their *Concern for the Publick*. But when I have ſeen and heard them in ſome Places, and ſome Companies, I have often thought with my ſelf, that a Man of very common Abilities might look as unpleaſingly as they; and that a Man of a very ordinary Capacity might reſolve, as ſtrongly as they, never to vote, or to be pleas'd, with ſome Men; and that, if Strength of Lungs, or Loudneſs of Voice, in Places of publick Reſort, made a *Patriot*; Homer's *Stentor*, if he were to appear, and be well inſtructed in a few *Terms of Art*, would far excell the beſt of them.

By this Time, perhaps, you will ſay, that all this is intended to ridicule and bring into Contempt all *Patriotiſm*, and all *Publick-ſpiritedneſs*; and ſome, I doubt not, will add (the common Threadbare Topick againſt every Man who at all Diſguſts them) *This is a Courtier*—*a Miniſtry Man*— and the Deſign is to lull Men aſleep, and to prevent all Oppoſition to whatever ſome Men in Power think fit to propoſe. But before you are ſo haſty in your Concluſions, hear a little. I am ſo far from endeavouring, or wiſhing, to bring into Contempt, or under an ill Fame, ſo noble and ſo neceſſary a Virtue as *Patriotiſm*, that the ſole Reaſon of my entring upon this Subject, was to hinder others from doing it; and ſo far from leading Men into a baſe and ſervile Submiſſion to Great Men, that I am certain, I ſhall do more *againſt* it, than All thoſe put together, who by a conſtant and bitter Oppoſition grow nauſeous to thoſe about them, and lead them at length to ſettle in *this* very Extreme, when they ſee Them ſo unreaſonable and ſo injudicious in the *other*. It is *They*, who bring the Name of *Patriot* into *Ridicule*, and are deſtroying the Character from off the Earth, who aſſume it to themſelves, upon the ſole Bottom of eternal Wrangling and Peeviſhneſs, and fix it upon Qualifications that have little or nothing to do with it. But that it may not be thought I avoid the declaring *poſitively* what I take true *Patriotiſm* to be, and only cavil at the Conduct of *Others*, I will, before I go any further, lay down ſomething about it.

I have already, in general, ſaid that *Patriotiſm* is nothing but the *Love of our Country*; and therefore, that He is a *Patriot*, whoever he be, that truly loves his Country. There muſt be, I own, a Zeal or Warmth of Heart in the Cauſe, without which the Signs or Appearances of this Love will be very faint and languid. But then, this *Warmth of Heart* muſt be conducted by a *Cool Head*: for a *Hot Heart* and a *Hot Head* together will always make terrible Work. They will be always excellent at *Over-turning*, but never can build up or fix any thing. The Love of our Country in particular, as we are *Britons*, is the Love of our Conſtitution, and of the Eſtabliſhment in the preſent Royal Family; without the Safety of which, no Man in his Senſes can hope for any laſting Good to his Country: but with which, he may flatter himſelf that *Liberty* and *Property* may be ſtill tranſmitted down to his Poſterity; which is the great End propos'd both in our Conſtitution, and in this *Eſtabliſhment*.

Upon this Bottom, it preſently appears, that being *in Place* or *out of Place* ſignifies nothing to the *Patriotiſm* of a Man; tho' it may, to his *Good* or *Ill Humour*. A Perſon in a *Poſt*, nay in the *higheſt Poſt*, may have as good a Title to the Name of *Patriot*, as one who never was in one even of the *leaſt*. If he performs the Duty of it with punctual Honour; if he has a conſtant Regard to the Rights and Happineſs of his Fellow-Subjects, and makes uſe of his Power in it, only to guard and preſerve what is committed to him; to leſſen the Burthens of his Country as much as the Security of it will permit; and to extend and continue down all its Advantages and Bleſſings as ſafely as poſſible: This is the *Patriotiſm* of Men in Power; by which they can merit the Title of *True Patriots*, perhaps much more than Any under them. And certainly, it is ſo much their own Intereſt; and their

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their own Security and Proſperity ſo entirely depend upon it, eſpecially in the critical Circumſtances of our preſent Situation; that their Enemies themſelves, even whilſt they think them guided by their own Intereſt, give a ſort of Teſtimony to them, that their own *Advantage* and *Duty* being now ſo plainly united and ſo inſeparably the ſame, They cannot be ſo blind as not to ſee it, or ſo neglectful of themſelves as not to regard it.

But as all Power naturally intoxicates the Brain, and, without great Care, puts a falſe Biaſs upon the Mind; not diminiſhing but increaſing Men's Paſſions, and often boiling them up into the Head; and as the beſt Men may be miſled by Thoſe whom they are often forced to depend upon, as well as miſtaken thro' the natural Weakneſs of their own Underſtandings; the *Patriotiſm of Others* will certainly very well ſhew it ſelf in being upon the Guard; in ſifting and trying whatever is propos'd to them; in acting as the Good of their Country, and not merely as the Will of Others, requires them; and in keeping as great a Diſtance from a *ſervile Homage* to Power, as from a *determin'd Averſion* to every thing propos'd by Thoſe, whoſe Office both capacitates and obliges them to offer what may be for the great Advantage and Security of the Publick.

How little therefore have many of the late Pretenſions to do with *True Patriotiſm!* As to the Declaration, indeed, againſt coming into any Poſt or Office, I always take it for granted that there are ſome Words to be underſtood in all ſuch Profeſſions, to make the Sentence compleat; And that the *Declarer* always means what he ſays, with ſome ſuch Qualification as this,—— *Unleſs a Poſt be offer'd him*——or, *ſuch a Poſt as he likes, and eſteems honourable for himſelf to accept of.* This I am ſure of, that we meet with but *few* voluntary Reſigners of *profitable Poſts*; and *fewer* ſtill ſo raſh in their Publick-ſpirited Anger, as to *Reſign*, before they have obtain'd for themſelves and their Dependents almoſt every thing they can wiſh for. And this puts them very much upon a Level with thoſe who ſtill keep in.

But if it were not almoſt ridiculous to be ſerious upon this Head, it might juſtly be ſaid to be a greater Mark of a *True Patriot to accept* than to *refuſe* to ſerve in a Place. For as long as there are Places and Offices of Profit and Truſt, and *theſe* muſt be poſſeſs'd and executed by ſome or other; and upon the due Execution of *theſe* depends a great deal of the Happineſs and Security of the *Publick*; ſhall not Men, who feel how much they burn with the Love of their Country more than their Neighbours, put themſelves into a Capacity of ſerving it; when they muſt either do this, or leave theſe Offices all to *Others*, whom they are reſolv'd to think of as *Enemies* to their Country, from the Moment of their taking Poſſeſſion of them? I am very certain, they have no manner of Suſpicion of *their own Virtue*, (which is the only Objection againſt it) or any Imagination, that, upon the poor Conſideration of an Office, they can be induced to act any thing againſt their Country. And all will agree, that it will be much more honourable for a Gentleman to follow the Dictates of True Patriotiſm in all his Conduct, if the Caſe ſhould ever happen ſo, as to hazard the Loſs of a good Poſt which he actually poſſeſſes, than to lie under the Suſpicion of oppoſing thoſe in Power merely becauſe he is *not* in a Place, or in order to be invited into one.

There is another Point alſo, which in Prudence will be conſider'd; and that is, that Gentlemens Reſolutions of this ſort don't always continue in the ſame Vigour; and then, when the *Mollia Tempora* come, and the *lucky Opportunity* of ſerving their Country appears more plain and inviting than before, their former *raſh Declarations* fly in their Faces, and make them bluſh. Every Body remembers *One* very famous *Declaimer* againſt *Places* and *Poſts*, who had ſpent all his Stock of Wit and Oratory (which was not ſmall) upon that Subject, thro' the Courſe of ſome Years; and at laſt (not with great Difficulty) was prevail'd upon to accept of ſomething. His Honour was indeed a little reflected upon, and perhaps a little wounded: And his Friends were forc'd to have Recourſe to a Piece of Wit to ſalve it, and heal the Wound. And ſo it all ended in this miſerable *Joke*, that He had indeed declar'd zealouſly againſt taking a *Place*; but that he had not now broke his Word, or acted at all contrary to that Declaration; for he had taken only *Half a Place.* But, indeed, it was a *Half*, that was better than moſt of the *whole Places* in the Kingdom. And, I remember very well, when I my ſelf was firſt choſe into Parliament, I was fired with the *Publick-ſpirited Diſcourſes* of ſeveral *Gentlemen*; and in order to carry on glorious Deſigns, we agreed, about Six or Eight of us, to meet in a private Club to fortify our *ſelves* in our *Oppoſition*. But I ſoon found my Error in my Judgment about Patriots. For ſuch was *then*, and ſuch, I fear, always will be, the poor Policy of Courts, that I quickly perceiv'd *firſt* One of them, who was the *Loudeſt* of the Company, call'd to an Office, and prevail'd upon to accept it; and then a *Second*, and then a *Third*; and ſo on, till by degrees I found my ſelf the only Perſon without an Office; and then I ſaw a little into the Meaning of ſuch Meetings *in Terrorem*, and have been ſick of them ever ſince.

I mention theſe Things particularly as Leſſons to the *Unexperienc'd*, that they may *learn* from what *has been*, what *will be*; and that ſuch high *Declarations* are chiefly to amuſe and allure the *Unguarded*; but mean nothing leſs than what the Words, in the firſt Sound of them, ſeem to import.

I am, SIR,

Your humble Servant,

BRITANNICUS.

The reſt ſhall ſoon follow.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

THERE are Advices from the North which import, that the Czar has cauſed ſome of his Clergy to be executed who had plotted againſt his Perſon, deſigning to poiſon him when he received the Sacrament: and, 'tis farther ſaid, that a Prieſt, who, in his Sermons, had reflected on ſome of his Proceedings, was condemned to undergo the Baſtinado. Some Advices from that Part will have it, that the Perſian Rebel Meriweys is poſted with an Army of 60000 Men about ſix Leagues from that of the Czar's, and that it is expected we ſhall ſoon hear of a Battle.———At Paris the Diſcourſe revives, that the Regent will be declared Lieutenant of that Kingdom; by which Office the Direction of Affairs will be ſecured to him for ſome Years after the King's Majority and Coronation. The Prime Miniſter, the Cardinal du Bois, keeps the Superintendency of the Poſt-Office there, which brings him in about 60000 Crowns a Year. Theſe Letters add, that it is impoſſible to expreſs the Love and Reſpect which Perſons of all Ranks pay to the Mareſchal de Villeroy ſince his Baniſhment from Court to his Country Seat near Lyons.———The Court of Madrid ſeems to apprehend, that the Moors are making Preparations for a new Siege of Ceuta.———The Great Duke of Tuſcany has given leave to the Peaſants in the Neighbourhood of Porto Longone, to take Arms and repulſe the Soldiers of the Spaniſh Garriſon there, whenever they come to diſturb them.——The Differences between the Courts of Turin and Rome increaſe daily, inſomuch that the Pontiff repents of his having recognized the Duke of Savoy as King of Sardinia.—The new Alliances of Marriages between the Royal Families of France and Spain, occaſions frequent Conferences at the Court of Vienna; and, 'tis ſaid, the Emperor has, by his Miniſter at Florence, notified to the Great Duke of Tuſcany, that if his Royal Highneſs will chuſe ſuch a Prince to ſucceed to his Dominions, after his deceaſe, as ſhall be in the Intereſt of the Houſe of Auſtria, his Imperial Majeſty will aſſiſt him with all his Force, and render the Territory of Tuſcany independent on the Empire.

LONDON.

WHEREAS it was inſerted in ſeveral Papers of late, that there were 30 Fellows confined in the County Goal of Leiceſter, who confeſs'd that they had been for ſome Time inliſted to ſerve the Pretender; and that Search was made after 20 more, againſt whom Information was given. We are aſſured, that the Report is falſe, and that the Matter of Fact is as follows. Information was given to the Juſtices of Peace for the Borough of Leiceſter of five or ſix Perſons being at an Ale-houſe at *Anſty* in the ſaid County, who were liſted by a Perſon to them unknown, for the Pretender, about three Years and a half ſince. Upon their Confeſſion three of them were committed to Goal, two of which were then about ſeventeen Years old, and moved their Age in their Excuſe, and that they were in drink, and knew not what they did. This is the Truth of the Fact, nor is there Search made after, or Information given againſt any more.

At the Seſſions held by Adjournment on Thurſday the 13th of September at Guildhall, John Grady was fined five Pounds, for aſſaulting a Conſtable in the Execution of his Office; and one John Wilſon was fined 50 l. and is to be impriſoned 6 Months in Newgate, for aſſaulting a Perſon without any Provocation, that was peaceably going along the Street. Elizabeth Walburton was fined 10 Marks for keeping a diſorderly Houſe; and John Sall and Sarah Childus are to be Pillory'd, fined 20 l. each, and to be impriſon'd for one Year, for a Miſdemeanour in a falſe Marriage.

Money is order'd for paying the long Arrears of Short-Allowance Money due to the Fleet from the Year 1700, or far-

farther back, in Caſe there be any Claimants; and, we hear, that in two or three Months they will begin to pay the ſame.

His Majeſty Ship the Lace, lately arrived from Minorca and Liſbon, whoſe Company were not admitted to go aſhore at Portſmouth, on account of her coming from the Mediterranean, we hear, is diſcharged of her Quarentine by an Order of the King and Council, it appearing that the People are in perfect Health; ſo that ſhe is coming up to Woolwich in order to her being paid off.

On Thurſday laſt was held a General Court of the Bank of England, to conſider of a Dividend, which was one of their Quarterly General Courts. And Yeſterday a General Court of the South-Sea Company was held at Merchant-Taylors Hall, being one of the Half Yearly Courts appointed by their Charter to chuſe a Committee of Seven, to inſpect the By-Laws.— It is not doubted but theſe Gentlemen, as ſoon as they ſhall find it practicable, will go upon the Greenland Trade in good Earneſt, Mr. Elking having made it fully appear, that our Neighbours, the Dutch, have not a more valuable Branch of Commerce than that which was originally our own. He ſays, that the Number of Whales brought Home by the Dutch from the Year 1675, to the preſent Year 1722 excluſive, is 32908, which produced 1,250,714 Punchions of Train Oil, amounting to One Hundred and Fifty Millions of Guilders, which is about Fourteen Millions of Pounds Sterling. He ſays, the Whalebone or Fins muſt be more than Forty Millions of Pounds Weight. And it appears by our Cuſtom-Houſe Books, that there hath been imported in the Port of London, from the Year 1715 to 1721, one Year with another, about 150 Tons, when the Price hath been very dear, viz. 400 l. per Ton, (little more or leſs) which is, one Year with another, Sixty Thouſand Pounds a Year over and above what is imported in all the other Ports of Great Britain and Ireland, which he ſuppoſes to be 110 Ton more; ſo that the Sum paid for Whalebone amounts to 100,000 l. per Annum, beſides what probably may be run clandeſtinely. All which hath hitherto been a Loſs to the Nation, and clear Gain to our Neighbours.

The preſent Door-Keeper to the Council being ancient, has obtained Leave to diſpoſe of his Place, which he has ſold to Mr. Clendon, a Wholeſale Cheeſemonger in Thames-ſtreet, for One Thouſand Pounds.

On Saturday laſt at Two in the Morning, Mr. Edw. Ward, Author of the London-Spy, was taken out of his Bed by Meſſengers, being charg'd with writing ſome Verſes under the Print, repreſenting the Effigies of the Biſhop of Rocheſter looking through a Grate; and as it hath given Offence to the Government, Mr. Bowen, Engraver and Seller of it, is alſo taken into Cuſtody.

All the Books for Annuities Transferrable at the Bank, will be cloſed on Friday the 28th Inſtant, and opened again on Tueſday the 16th of October next, in order for a Michaelmas Dividend.

Laſt Week the Officers and Clerks belonging to the South-Sea Company took the uſual Oath before a Court of Directors.

There has been ſo much Trouble in getting the Reward promis'd by the Government for the taking of Highwaymen, by the Contrivance of ſome Juſtices Clerks, who have extorted Fees, and been guilty of other indecent Practices, that the Judges and Recorder have, laſt Seſſions, reſolv'd to intercede with the Government, that ſuch Rewards may for the future, be paid in Court at the Time of Conviction.

We hear, that when the ſeveral Regiments in Hyde-Park decamp, they will be quarter'd near the Cities of London and Weſtminſter.

Capt. Maſſey, who was ſome time in Newgate on Suſpicion of Piracy, has been bailed out by the Reverend Mr. Maſſey, of Woodſtreet.

Dr. Little Hale, of the College of Phyſicians, is going over to Barbadoes with Mr. Worſely, the Governour of that Iſland.

On Tueſday the 18th Inſtant the Lord Parker, Son of the Lord Chancellor, was married to a Daughter of Mr. Lane, an eminent Turkey Merchant, whoſe Fortune we hear is 60000 l.

The poor Man who was killed by the fall of the Houſe in York-Buildings, receiv'd ſuch a violent Blow from ſome of the Timber, that one of his Legs was torn from his Body, and found at ſeveral Yards diſtance from it in the Rubbiſh.

It is remarkable, that the Builders have got a Knack of building Houſes for what Duration they pleaſe, even to a very great Exactneſs; for not only the above-mention'd Houſe and Mr. Small's, the Surgeon's, within two Doors of it, but two alſo of Sir Hans Sloanes, at Chelſea, have fallen down exactly at the Expiration of the Leaſes.

To Morrow (being Sunday) two Charity Sermons will be preached at the Pariſh Church of St. Sepulchre, without Newgate; that in the Morning by the Reverend Mr. Wheatley, and that in the Afternoon by the Reverend Mr. Trapp; for the Benefit of the poor Girls belonging to the ſaid Pariſh within.

From our Portſmouth *Letters of the 17th Inſtant.*

" The Affair of the French Sloops breaking through her " Quarantine, which I mention'd in a former, we hear no " more of ſince her being returned to the Mother Bank. " 'Tis ſaid, that Veſſel had been in ſeveral Ports on the Coaſt " before ſhe came hither, where ſhe diſpoſed of her Cargo.

" The Otter Sloop returned on Monday laſt with the Pay " Clerks from Plymouth, who had been paying the Work- " men of that Dock-Yard; and they are ſince gone up to " Town. On Thurſday the Dublin Yatch ſailed for Ireland, " and on Saturday the Canterbury, a new Ship of 60 Guns, " was launced here. To Day we elect a new Mayor; the " Election is not begun, but Alderman Vinning it is thought " will be unanimouſly choſen.

The Powder lately ſeized does not appear to be intended for any Service againſt the Government.

They write from Minchinghampton in Glouceſterſhire, that there has lately been diſcovered at Woodcheſter, near that Place, a moſt curious Pavement in Moſaick Work, of a conſiderable Extent, wherein are repreſented Birds and Beaſts in their proper Colours, and a great Variety of ingenious Devices, all extreamly beautiful. The whole ſpreads it ſelf through the greateſt Part of the Church-Yard, and ſome Part of it is found in the Church it ſelf. The Ground was opened in ſeveral Places, to the Depth of 5 or 6 Foot, at the Expence of Edmund Browne of Redborow, Eſq; who ſent to Mr. Bradley, on purpoſe to take a Draught of this excellent Piece of Curioſity.

'Tis publiſhed, that Dr. Wilſon, Biſhop of the Iſle of Man, is ſtill confined in the Caſtle of that Iſland, where he was committed ſome Time ago; the Occaſion of which was, (as is reported) that the Archdeacon of that Iſland having given the Sacrament to a Lady whom the Biſhop had excommunicated; the Biſhop thereupon excommunicated the Archdeacon, and ordered his Gown to be ſtript over his Ears. The Governour inſiſted upon the Biſhop's taking off the Excommunication, both from the Lady and the Archdeacon, which he not complying with, was fined 50 l. and upon his refuſing to pay the ſaid Sum, was ſent Priſoner to the Caſtle.

We are further told, when that Prelate was fined the Fifty Pounds, he thought himſelf ill uſed, and reſolv'd to go to Priſon rather than pay it, and ſent a Perſon over to England in hopes of obtaining Redreſs; but the Perſon ſent on that Occaſion fell in amongſt the Quarantine Ships, and was obliged to perform Quarantine, which occaſions his Lordſhip's Confinement to be ſomewhat longer than he expected.

At the laſt Seſſions held at the Old Baily, one John Aſh was convicted of Forgery and counterfeiting a Note, for which he is ordered to ſtand in the Pillory near the Horſe-Ferry at Chelſea. He was alſo fined 50 l. and is to be impriſon'd for 12 Months.

A ſad Accident lately happen'd in Glouceſter Court, in Whitecroſs-ſtreet, where one Mr. Batcheller, a Silver Spinner, having ſome Words with his Wife, threw a Tobacco-Pipe at her, which unfortunately hit a Child ſhe had in her Arms, of a Twelvemonth old, the ſmall End of which entered its Skull a conſiderable Depth, of which Wound it languiſh'd till Thurſday laſt, and then expired. The Father, it ſeems, abſconds for the preſent.

'Tis ſaid that there is a Project or Scheme on foot for leſſening the Stock of the South-Sea Company, part of which is to be converted into Annuities on Lives, to be paid at the Exchequer, and be redeemable by Parliament; and in order to induce the Proprietors the more readily to conſent to it, 'tis deſigned to get the Two Millions remitted them, which when done, 'tis thought the Stock will be at about 110 per Cent.

We are aſſured, that large Commiſſions are come from Holland for buying South-Sea Stock, which, 'tis thought will give an advantageous Turn to it.

The Trade of this Nation was never in a better Situation than at preſent; the Exports having been greater for the laſt Year, than for any one Year a conſiderable Time paſt.

We hear there will be an Oppoſition to the Election of Sir Gerard Conyers for Lord Mayor of this City on Michaelmas-Day, under Pretence that he and Sir Peter Delme were not regularly choſen Aldermen.

We have an Account from Staffordſhire, that two Farmers, one of the Town of Abbotsbromly, and the other of Hanbury, in that County, have by Agreement exchanged Wives, and both Men and Women ſeem to be well ſatisfied with the Bargain. Our Information ſays they had frequent Converſation with each other before this Agreement.

The Court of Directors of the Eaſt-India Company have agreed to lower the Dividend on their Stock from 10 to 8 per Cent. per Annum; the News of which reduced immediately the Price of that Stock from 136 to 129; to which Meſſieurs Andrew Pells and Son, Bankers at Amſterdam, have not a little contributed, by ſelling great Quantities of their Stock in that Company.

Eſtimates, &c. are preparing by the proper Officers in his Majeſty's Dock-Yards, of the State and Condition of the Fleet, and the Charge attending the ſame, in order to be laid before the Parliament.

We hear, that laſt Week a Servant of the Deputy-Governour's of the Tower, went off with a conſiderable Sum of his Maſter's Money. 'Tis thought he is gone to Holland.

On Wedneſday laſt Counſellor Lear, who was in Cuſtody of Mr. Squire, the Meſſenger, made his Eſcape; but being purſued, was taken in Southwark; and early next Morning, was committed Priſoner to the Tower.

Since the before-mention'd, we hear the Biſhop of the Iſle of Man has paid his Fine, and is releaſed from his Confinement.

The South Sea Company's Ship the St. Quintin, is fitting out with all Expedition to ſail to Angola on the Coaſt of Guinea, for Slaves, and from thence to Buenos Aires.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

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§*§ LOVE and UNITY, a neceſſary Means of preſerving our Religion and Liberties. A SERMON preach'd at the Cathedral Church at Sarum, June 5. 1720. Being the Second Sunday after Trinity. By Thomas Turner, D. D. Prebendary of the ſaid Church. Publiſhed at the Requeſt of the Honourable Brigadier General Grove, the Honourable Colonel Cadogan, and other Officers of his Majeſty's Forces there, [illegible] and alſo [illegible] other Gentlemen that made a Part of the Audience. Printed for J. Peele, at Locke's Head in Pater-noſter-Row.

Where may be had,

The Scripture Trinity Intelligibly explained: or, An ESSAY toward the Demonſtration of a Trinity in Unity, from Reaſon and Scripture. In a Chain of Conſequences from Certain Principles. Which will not only give the Reader a View into the whole Controverſy, but may ſerve as an Anſwer to Dr. Waterland, as alſo to Dr. Clarke, and all Others that have wrote upon the Subject, whether Arians, Socinians, or whatever other Denomination they may be diſtinguiſh'd by. By the ſame Author.

Juſt publiſhed,

§§ The Spirit of the Eccleſiaſticks of all Sects and Ages as to the Doctrines of Morality, and more particularly the Spirit of the ancient Fathers of the Church, examin'd. By Monſieur Barbeyrac, Profeſſor of Laws and Hiſtory in the University of Lauſanne. Tranſlated from the French by a Gentleman of Gray's-Inn. With a Preface by the Author of the INDEPENDENT WHIG. Printed for J. Peele, at Locke's Head in Pater-noſter-Row. Price 1s.

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All CATO's Letters, [illegible].

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ARITHMETICK [illegible], according to the New Method now taught and practis'd in London. Wherein the Rules of that neceſſary Art are briefly explain'd and Illuſtrated with ſuch Familiar Examples as may ſuit the meaneſt Capacity, if they deſire to learn it. To which is added a [illegible] Treatiſe of Decimal Fractions, with complete Tables, Rules and Examples, demonſtrating the ſame. The like not extant in any other Treatiſe of this Nature. The Seventh Edition. By John Copeland, Writing-Maſter. Price Bound 1 s.

Short Writing, the moſt eaſy, exact, lineal, and ſpeedy Method that hath ever been Obtained or Taught. By Theophilus Metcalfe. The Fifty-ſixth Edition. Price 1 s.

(This Day is publiſhed, the Third Edition Corrected &c.)

‡*‡ The FARRIER's New Guide. Containing First, The Anatomy of a Horſe, being an exact and comprehenſive Deſcription of all his Parts, with their Actions and Uſes; Illuſtrated with Figures curiouſly engrav'd on Copper-plates. Secondly, An Account of all the Diſeaſes incident to Horſes, with their Signs, Cauſes, and Method of Cure; wherein many Defects in the Farrier's Practice, are now carefully ſupply'd, their Errors expos'd and corrected, and the [illegible] greatly improv'd and advanced, according to the [illegible]. The Whole interſpers'd with many uſeful and [illegible] Obſervations concerning Feeding and Exerciſe, &c. By W. Gibſon. Printed for William Taylor, at the Ship in Pater-noſter-Row. Where may be had, The Farrier's New Method of Dieting Horſes, and the Farrier's Diſpenſatory. By the ſame Author.

The famous Golden ESSENCE for the Hair of the Head and Perriwigs: being the moſt Charming Perfume in Nature, and the greateſt Preſerver of Hair in the World, for it cauſes that of Perriwigs to [illegible] [illegible], and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] To be had only at Mr. Radford's Toy-ſhop, at the Roſe and Crown againſt St. Clement's Church-yard in the Strand, near Arundel-ſtreet End: Price 1 s. 6 d. a Bottle, with Directions.

Juſt publiſhed,
The Second Edition corrected of,

A New Theory of Conſumptions: More eſpecially of a Phthiſis, or Conſumption of the Lungs. Wherein, after a brief Hiſtory of the Diſtemper, its various Symptoms throughout its ſeveral Degrees, and every minute Step it takes, from its firſt invading the Patient, to its final Termination. Enquiry is made concerning the Prime, Eſſential, and hitherto unſuſpected Inexpugnable Cauſe of that Diſeaſe, ſo very ſtubborn to the Patient, and generally fatal to thoſe it ſeizes on. With an Account of the great Number of Medicines, and various Methods of Cure recommended for Conſumptions, and the different Opinions of Authors concerning them. Alſo the poſſibility of healing Ulcers in the Lungs aſſerted, the ſtrongeſt Objections againſt it anſwer'd, and a different and more probable Method of Cure advanc'd, than commonly practis'd. Likewiſe Directions about Eating, Drinking, Sleeping, Exerciſe, and Way of Living in general, proper for Conſumptive Perſons. By Benjamin Marten, M. D. Printed for R. Knaplock, at the Biſhop's Head in St. Paul's Church-yard, E. Bell at the Croſs-Keys and Bible in Cornhill, J. Nourſe at the Flower de Luce againſt St. Dunſtan's Church in Fleet-ſtreet, and C. King at the Judge's Head in Weſtminſter-Hall. Price 1 s. 6 d.

Whereas Propoſals were ſome Time ſince publiſh'd for the Printing by Subſcription the State-Papers of the Right Honourable Sir Ralph Winwood, Knt. Secretary of State to King James the Firſt; from his Original Papers in the Cuſtody of his Grace the Duke of Mountague. The Editor hereby gives Notice, that ſince the firſt publiſhing of thoſe Propoſals, he has procur'd (by the favour of the Hon. Grey Nevile, Eſq;) Sir Henry Nevile's Negotiation in France in the Year 1599, together with the Tranſactions in the Treaty of Bologne, between Queen Elizabeth and the King of Spain in the Year 1600, (which immediately precede Sir Ralph Winwood's Negotiation at that Court). And likewiſe Sir [illegible] Ogleby's (Agent from King James then King of Scotland) Negotiation in Spain in the Year 1596. In which ſeveral important Tranſactions of State are diſclos'd, not touch'd by any of the Hiſtorians of that Age. He further gives Notice, that a conſiderable Part of the Work is already printed, which will be finiſh'd with all convenient Speed. All Gentlemen therefore who are willing to ſubſcribe, are deſir'd to ſend in their Names, and make their firſt Payments to the Undertaker Mr. Thomas Ward, Bookſeller in the Inner-Temple-Lane, where Propoſals are deliver'd Gratis, and part of the Work may be ſeen. N. B. No more Copies will be printed than are ſubſcrib'd for.

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Stewards,	Houſe-Keepers,
Clerks,	Ladies Women,
Shop Aſſiſtants,	Chamber Maids,
Working Men,	Single Gentlewomen,
Single Gentlemen,	Wet Nurſes,
Butlers,	Nurſe Children,
Coachmen,	Nurſery Maids,
Footmen,	Houſe Maids,
Poſtillions,	Laundry Maids,
Grooms and Hoſtlers,	Cook Maids,
Gardeners,	And Maids for ſmall Families, &c.
Coffee-Houſes, or Ale-houſes,	

Likewiſe all manner of Inns and Publick Houſes to be Let, and where all ſuch Perſons that have Occaſion may hear of them. All Maſters and Miſtreſſes may have all ſorts of Apprentices and Prentice Boys and Girls all ſorts of Trades, and all other manner of Buſineſs, it being an Office of Fifty Years ſtanding.

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This is to give Notice,

That the only True and Original Royal Chymical Waſhballs, for the Hands and Face, are removed from Mr. Lambert's [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Counterfeits; and are now ſold only at Mr. Allcraft's Toy-ſhop, at the [illegible] [illegible] Coffee-houſe, in Cornhill; and at Mrs. Giles's, [illegible] Palace Alley, by the Temple, in Weſtminſter: They have above theſe twenty Years been highly approved and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. They are of a grateful and pleaſant Scent, without the leaſt Grain of Mercury, ſold only by Mr. Allcraft, and Mrs. Giles, as above, price 1 s. each, and no where elſe in London by Retail; therefore beware of Counterfeits, which are not only inſignificant, but may alſo prove dangerous.

One Thomas Glandler was laſt Week committed to Newgate for receiving ſtolen Goods: His Son was tranſported with the laſt Felons to America for the like Fact.

'Tis ſaid that the Election at Norwich for Sheriffs, is like to go in Favour of the Whigs.

Laſt Monday Night Mr. Sharp, the Printer of the Freeholder's Journal, and two of his Men, were again taken in Cuſtody of a Meſſenger on account of laſt Week's Journal.

We hear, that Mr. Egerton, a Quaker, who has lived many Years in Barbadoes, is lately gone over to the Iſland of St. Vincent, being appointed by his Grace the Duke of Montague, Ambaſſador to the Indians in that Iſland.

The Czar in his Expedition at Aſtracan, is executing a Scheme that was projected many Years ago by Mr. Nightingale, a Britiſh Merchant, (Unkle to the late Sir Robert Nightingale, Bart. of Enfield) and by him preſented to his Czarian Majeſty, who was ſo well pleaſed with it, that he not only paid him many unexpected Honours in his Life Time, but went in Perſon to his Funeral.

Although we entertain no very great Opinion of the Works of our modern Aſtrologers, who deal in Deſtiny's dark Councils, yet we cannot help obſerving, that in Gadbury's Almanack of this Year, amongſt his other Predictions in the Month of Auguſt, he ſays, that ſome of the ſacred Order will fall under the Frowns of Fortune. In November he ſays, ſuch Perſons ſhall be rewarded according to their Deſerts; and at the End of his Almanack, amongſt his Planetary Schemes, he tells us, this Year, there ſhould ariſe ſome little Diſputes and Animoſities with the common People in ſome Parts of Scotland about their own private Intereſts, but nothing to give any Uneaſineſs to the Government.

Mr. Pope, who tranſlated Homer, is going to Publiſh a new and correct Edition of Shakeſpear's Works by Subſcription, in Six Volumes in Quarto: the Learned are extreamly pleaſed at Mr. Pope's Deſign, in as much as the Writings of that great Genius have never yet been printed without many groſs and palpable Errors.

'Tis reported, that Capt. Marriot (who was ſo unfortunate as to kill Capt. Scroggs in a Duel) has loſt his Commiſſion, and that it is diſpoſed of to a Half-Pay Officer, late a Captain of Dragoons.

On Tueſday laſt a Collar-Maker of Newington, dropt down dead as he was paſſing over Newington Green.

The ſame Day the Hatfield and Hitchen Stage Coaches were robbed by two Highwaymen at Potter's Bar on the Chaſe. They carried off about 40 Shillings from each Coach; and ſoon after attacked a Gentleman's, and plunder'd the Company of ſome Gold, a Watch and a Ring of a conſiderable Value, which they carried off in Safety.

Horſes were ſent this Week to Hounſlow to fetch up the Artillery from thence.

The Day is not yet fixed for the Forces decamping in Hyde-Park.

On Monday laſt the Report of the Malefactors condemned laſt Seſſions at the Old-Bailey was made to his Majeſty in Council; when the following 14 Perſons were order'd for Execution, which, 'tis ſaid will be on Monday next, viz. Thomas Jennings, Arthur Hughes, John Caſey, Thomas Wilſon, Thomas Etheridge and Edward Raymond, for the Highway or Street Robberies.

Robert Wilkinſon and James Lincoln for the Highway, and Murder of a Penſioner of Chelſea College.

Samuel Sleddon and Edward Myers for Returning from Tranſportation.

Benjamin Shambler for Felony on the South-Sea Act.

Richard Oear, alias Hudſon, for Felony: Charles Palmer for Burglary, and Mathias Brinſden, the Cloth Drawer, for the Murder of his Wife in Black-fryers. Ilive, Hillman and Walker Green are Reprieved, and 'tis thought will be Tranſported; and probably Margaret Fiſher may accompany them, who being found Quick with Child, has Time enough to make Intereſt to prevent being called down to her former Sentence. Anne Morris that was under Sentence of Death for murdering her Female Baſtard Infant, died in Newgate on Sunday laſt.

There being no great Variation in the Prices of Goods this Week, for want of Room, we defer them to our next; as alſo the Liſt of Bankrupts and Perſons deceas'd.

On Wedneſday laſt South-Sea Stock was 87 3 8ths. to 88 1 qr. Bank 119. Bank Subſcription 1 8 per Cent. Premium. India 128. African 103 qr. Royal Exchange Aſſurance 5 1 8th. London Aſſurance 6. York Buildings 14 1 qr. New York Buildings Lottery Tickets 36 s. Lottery Annuities 101 1 qr. Prizes 1722, 7 3 qr. per Cent. Diſcount. Blanks 1722, 7 to 120.

We hear that Mr. Bilkie, lately Aſſiſtant to the Paſtor of the old Meeting in Hackney, is conformed to the Church of England, and has been Preſented to a Benefice in Lincolnſhire of about Two Hundred Pounds per Annum.

Within theſe few Months the Price of Leather is greatly advanc'd; ſome ſorts that were ſold at 7 d. being now at 11 d. per Pound; which is intirely attributed to the great Call for that Commodity in foreign Markets.

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A Courſe of Mechanical, Hydroſtatical, Pneumatical, and Optical Experiments, by Benj. Worſter, M. A. and Thomas Watts, of the Academy in Little Tower Street, to begin on Wedneſday the 3d. of October next at 6 in the Evening. The Courſe will contain not only all that is uſual, but likewiſe ſome Experiments which are entirely new, the Apparatus itſelf being new and complete, and every Thing contriv'd according to the lateſt Improvements; the whole being very diverting and uſeful, not only for thoſe who have learned Mathematicks, but for ſuch as are not at all acquainted with that Study. Catalogues may be had, and Subſcriptions are taken in at the Place of Performance, at Mr. Clark's, Bookſeller, near the Royal Exchange, and at Mr. [illegible], Bookſeller, at the Weſt-End of St. Paul's Church, where alſo may be had, a compendious and methodical Account of the Principles of Natural Philoſophy, as they are explain'd and illuſtrated in the Courſe of Experiments perform'd at the Academy in Little Tower-Street, by Benj. Worſter, A. M.

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